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The Pensioner: In the Moment

Welcome to the digital MPERS newsletter! *The Pensioner: In the Moment* contains news, updates, and important information for retirees of the Missouri Department of Transportation, the Missouri State Highway Patrol, and MPERS.



The month of April is a busy time for MPERS' Board elections. On April 5th, nominees will be notified and will need to have their biographies to MPERS by April 15th.

Between April 16th and April 28th, members will receive a special message via Constant Contact (the same platform the monthly newsletter is distributed). This message will contain candidate information for each voting group. Candidate information will also be placed on the [Board Election Information page](#) of MPERS' website.

On April 29th, voting will begin. Please remember, the ONLY way to access a ballot is through your [myMPERS](#) account. Just because you receive newsletters in your email does not mean you have a [myMPERS](#) account. If you do not have a [myMPERS](#) account, you cannot vote.

If you need assistance setting up your [myMPERS](#) account, please contact MPERS at 800-270-1271 or mpers@mpers.org.



MPERS is governed by a Board of Trustees comprised of 11 members. Four members are elected by active employees and retirees of MoDOT and the Highway Patrol. The four elected members are:

- One active employee of the Highway Patrol
- One retired member of the Highway Patrol
- One active employee of MoDOT
- One retired member of MoDOT

The election cycle began on Monday, February 28, 2022, with the announcement of the start of the nomination period. The remaining election schedule is as follows:

April 5, 2022

MPERS will notify nominees.

April 15, 2022

Completed Trustee Candidate Information and Biography Form must be received at MPERS by 4:00 p.m.

April 29, 2022

Voting begins - electronic ballots are available online and voting is open to eligible members of each voting group if there are at least two candidates up for election in the voting group.

May 26, 2022

Voting ends - electronic ballots must be submitted by 4:00 p.m.

June 1-8, 2022

Validation of electronic ballots. The executive director will make a preliminary announcement of election results and notify the successful candidates.

June 16, 2022

Board meeting - Executive director will certify to the Board the results of the election and introduce the successful candidates.

If you have questions regarding the MPERS' Board Election process or need assistance with your [myMPERS](#) account, please make sure you reach out to us by email to mpers@mpers.org or by calling 800-270-1271.

[Visit the Board Election Page Here!](#)

[Access myMPERS Here!](#)



myMPERS Secure Member Access Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA)

The safety and security of member and stakeholder personal information is something we take seriously at MPERS. In the coming months we will be implementing an additional security measure called multi-factor authentication to the [myMPERS](#) (secure member access) login process. This is in response to the ever-changing internet security environment.

In the coming months, upon logging in to your [myMPERS](#) account, you will be prompted to choose your preference(s) for MFA.

Please remember, it has not taken effect just yet, so proceed as normal. Once it has been fully implemented, we will be available to assist with the transition and any questions you may have.

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Upcoming Events

- 15 - Deadline to submit direct deposit and/or tax withholding changes. [Complete changes here.](#)
- 29 - Board of Trustees voting begins via [myMPERS](#)
- 29 - Payday for benefit recipients



We value your feedback!

What would you like to see in ***The Pensioner: In the Moment?***

Send comments and suggestions to Julie.West@mpers.org.